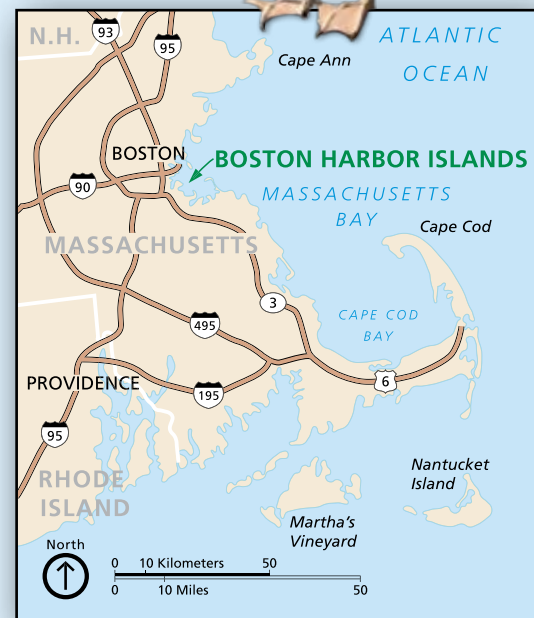


Great black-backed gull
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REGULATIONS Visitors must comply with all posted park regulations and obey park rangers. Alcoholic beverages, weapons, fireworks, pets, and disorderly conduct are prohibited.

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MORE INFORMATION Visit information kiosk on Long Wharf, go to www.BostonHarborIslands.org, or call 617-223-8666.

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Stepping Ashore . . .

Six islands (Bumpkin, Georges, Grape, Lovells, Peddocks, and Spectacle) are open to the public seasonally for free, but commercial ferry fees apply. State park staff or volunteers welcome you and give information and guided tours. Late June to Labor Day the islands are open daily 9:00 am to sunset. Spring and fall hours are shortened. Groups of 25 or more require a day-use permit. **Boston Light** on Little Brewster Island, managed by the U.S. Coast Guard, is open for ranger-led tours from late June to October. Contact www.BostonHarborIslands.org or 617-223-8666 for information on tours and recreation activities. **Thompson Island**, managed by the Thompson Island Outward Bound Education Center, is open to the public via park boats on Sundays from

Memorial Day to Labor Day. For more information on Thompson Island programs and private functions call 617-328-3900 or visit www.thompsonisland.org.

Worlds End, Deer Island, and Webb Memorial State Park can be visited year round by car. A fee is charged at Worlds End, part of The Trustees of Reservations. To arrange a tour of the wastewater treatment plant on Deer Island, call the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority at 617-660-7607.

FERRY AND SHUTTLE INFORMATION Commercial ferries operate from May through October from

Long Wharf in Boston, and from July through August from Hingham Shipyard in Hingham and Pemberton Point in Hull. Inter Island shuttles connect Georges and Spectacle to all islands open to the public. An additional fare may be charged. Call 617-223-8666 or visit www.BostonHarborIslands.org for schedules, fares, and other information.

HELPFUL HINTS Allow at least a half day to see one island and a day to see more. We don't recommend trying to see more than two islands in a day. Only Georges and Spectacle have food, fresh water, and restrooms. Other islands have composting toilets. For

your comfort and safety bring sunscreen, a jacket, a hat, insect repellent, and plenty of water. There are no trash receptacles; pack out what you pack in.

CAMPING You can camp by reservation on Bumpkin, Grape, and Lovells islands daily from Memorial Day to Labor Day, with some weekend camping in spring and fall. Other islands require a backcountry permit. There are no flush toilets, showers, telephones, fresh water, electricity, or stores on the camping islands. There are fees for camping. To make reservations contact Reserve America at 866-422-6762 or reserveamerica.com.

EDUCATION AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES Volunteers play a critical role as stewards of park resources. They help through citizen science activities, education programs, and visitor services. For information on class visits, lesson plans, and educational activities, visit BostonHarborIslands.org and follow the Learning Center link.

ACCESSIBILITY The islands are not fully accessible to visitors with disabilities, but special arrangements can be made. Please call 617-223-8666.

Spectacle Island